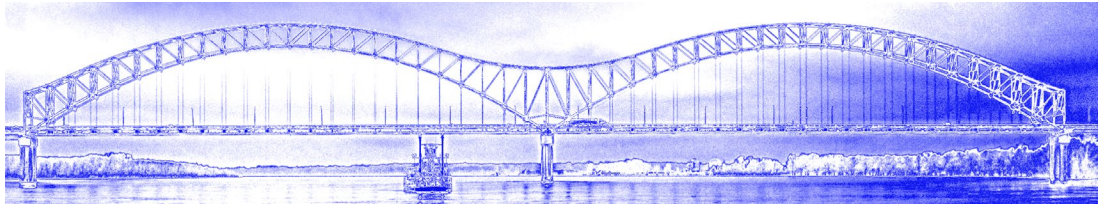




Memphis Chapter Memorial Resolutions



RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE LIFE AND WORK

OF

WALTER R. HUGHES

WHEREAS: The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers, Inc. – Memphis Chapter – is saddened by the death of a long-standing leader in our industry, Walter R. Hughes, who died October 13, 2011

WHEREAS: Walter led a full and worthy life in which he distinguished himself, his community, his family, our country and our Society. More particularly:

- a). Was past President of Hughes Mechanical Contractors, Inc., a company started by his grandfather in 1904 and an industry leader in the installation of major heating and air conditioning systems including for Methodist Hospital – Memphis, St. Francis Hospital, University of Memphis to name a few
- b). Was father of past president of our Memphis ASHRAE Chapter, Ralph Hughes, Jr.
- c). Was an active member of mechanical contractors' associations, MCA and MMCA
- d). Graduated from Central High School Memphis and studied engineering at Mississippi State University before joining the Army Air Corp in World War II
- e). As a fighter pilot flew combat missions out of England during World War II, serving with the 4th Fighter Group and the 355th Fighter Group, Second Division Scouting Force and the Eighth Air Force
- f). After the War, Walter attended Washington University in St. Louis then returned to Memphis to work for Hughes Mechanical Contractors
- g). Walter was an avid sportsman having established a hunting preserve in Marshal County, MS and enjoyed fishing as well especially fishing for large catfish in the Mississippi River. He especially enjoyed bringing youngsters into enjoying the outdoor sports of hunting and fishing
- h). Was a strong man of faith belonging to Christ Methodist Church and was remembered by the minister at his services as a dedicated reader of the Bible and follower of its principles

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Emily Porter Hughes (better known to many as Miss Emily), sons Ralph Hughes, Jr. and Andrew "Linkey" Hughes and their families, brother Howard Hughes and sister Patsy Miller and their families and was preceded in death by son Farmer Porter "Bubba" Hughes and is also survived by Bubba's wife Linda and daughter.

WHEREAS: We have been blessed by having served with Walter R. Hughes, and he will be missed not only by his family, friends, clients, and community but by the membership of the Memphis ASHRAE Chapter

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the life and service of Walter R. Hughes. be commended and recognized in the historical records of our Organization and that an appropriate copy of this Resolution be delivered to his family and in memory of his service.

This 8th day of November, 2011

By: Ryan J. Hertter, P.E., President
Ryan Hertter, Memphis Chapter President

By: J. Kenneth Jack, Memorials Chairman
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